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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 18, 2007, Applicant elects the following: with respect to mammalian cells, Applicant elects the species of Vero cells; with respect to *Anaplasma*, Applicant elects the species of *A. marginale*; and with respect to the origin of *A. marginale*, Applicant elects the species of tick cells. With the election of *A. marginale* herein, an election with respect to the origin of *A. phagocytophilum* is moot. Claims 1, 2, 7, 9, 10, 16, 18, 20-22, 24, 26-29, 31, 32, 38, 40-43, 45 and 46 read on Applicant's election.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction of the claims and submits that the Examiner has improperly applied the unity of invention standard under PCT Rule 13.1 and 13.2.

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Respectfully submitted,

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